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Memorandum

TO : SAC (100-10461) DATE: 2/18/64

FROM : DIRECTOR, FBI (Phone - 6:00 PM, 2/18/64)

SUBJECT: LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka
IS-R-CUBA

I returned an earlier call from RANKIN. He wanted to thank me for the information about Mrs. MARINA OSWALD.

RANKIN commented that it does not make their problem any easier, or ours, easier. Commission felt that the Secret Service had a special problem here or right to make inquiry in the first instance because of the fact it was not clear whether this could have happened while they were supposed to have her under surveillance.

When Secret Service did talk to her, she said [redacted] that she consented to it. They also learned she called Mrs. MARTIN and told her about it. She said it happened after the surveillance was over and the Secret Service had moved out [redacted] That ROBERT OSWALD found out about it and he was complaining about her staying here in Washington and practically ordered her back to Dallas. She went back to Dallas and was staying at the MARTINS, then ROBERT got her to his house and then got this other counsel and fired THORNE and MARTIN. RANKIN asked us to check the whole thing out and get statements, etc.

RANKIN asked if there was any indication that this had happened before, and I told him that we did not have any information, that she had not been in our custody or surveillance and so we did not know.

Mr. RANKIN said that a Mr. SORRELS (phonetic), of Secret Service, is in Dallas; was the one who saw Mrs. OSWALD and we might want to talk to him. Also, Mr. KELLY of Secret Service, has been told by RANKIN that our people might want to talk to him.

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